## LAMAR SMITH

**Member of Congress Twenty-First District of Texas** 

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL

October 9, 2008

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Donald F. McGahn II Chairman **Federal Election Commission** 999 E Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20463

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Re: Texans for Lamar Smith

Dear Mr. McGahn.

Pursuant to 2 U.S.C. § 431, we seek an advisory opinion on behalf of Texans for Lamar Smith. The committee has hired an employee who also serves as treasurer for Longhorn Political Action Committee, of which Lamar Smith is the Leadership PAC Sponsor. There is no overlap of services provided by this person. No work for the PAC is being paid for by the campaign committee, nor are any campaign resources being utilized.

We have been orally advised by the Information Division of the Federal Election Commission that this arrangement is permitted by current election law. Therefore, we wish you to confirm our understanding that this is a legal arrangement under federal election law and the Commission.

Please do not hesitate to contact me directly should you have any questions regarding this request.

Sincerely.

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Treasurer

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